Message

From: PerezSullivan, Margot [PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov]

Sent: 5/9/2016 3:53:48 PM

To: Mahdavi, Sarvy [Mahdavi.Sarvy@epa.gov]

CC: Scianni, Melissa [Scianni.Melissa@epa.gov]; Amato, Paul [Amato.Paul@epa.gov]

Subject: Re: Petersen Ranch BEI

Not really. I'm out of the office this morning, but will pick it up this afternoon. Is the release supposed to go out today? Or are they just finalizing today?

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On May 9, 2016, at 8:45 AM, Mahdavi, Sarvy < Mahdavi.Sarvy@epa.gov > wrote:

Hi Margot,

Just catching up on emails after being out all last week.

Any progress on this? Or need anything from me? I was the lead for the project.

Thanks.

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From: Scianni, Melissa

Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2016 10:26 AM

To: PerezSullivan, Margot

Cc: Mahdavi, Sarvy; Amato, Paul; Brush, Jason

Subject: FW: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Margot,

We are considering doing a joint agency press release for a large Clean Water Act mitigation bank that we are approving in southern CA. The Regional Water Board is interested in coordinating a press release with all the signatory agencies that are interested. Attached is some information provided by the project sponsor, but the Water Board will be drafting their own language. Is this something we can coordinate with them on? I think they are hoping to get the release done by early next week. Paul Amato is out of the office right now, so I'm not sure the best way to move this forward in his absence. I am also not working tomorrow. Please let me know if you think this is something we can get done on short notice, and if so, the best way to move forward.

Thanks, Melissa

Note: I am currently working M-Th.

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From: Zimmerman, Jan@Waterboards [mailto:jan.zimmerman@waterboards.ca.gov]

Sent: Thursday, May 05, 2016 9:15 AM

To: Scianni, Melissa < Scianni. Melissa @epa.gov>

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Subject: RE: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Melissa, it's all still in the works so not too late. Shannon expressed interest in coordinating too, so this is great. Yesterday I received the attached press info from the bank consultant. We are forwarding this information to our public outreach folks in Sacramento, Andrew DiLuccia, who will actually be putting it together. I can ask that he coordinate with you as well. Let me know and I will be sure to pass along yours and Sarvy's contact info to him.

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From: Scianni, Melissa [mailto:Scianni.Melissa@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2016 3:51 PM **To:** Zimmerman, Jan@Waterboards

Cc: Mahdavi, Sarvy

Subject: RE: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Jan,

I'm reaching out to see where you are with a press release for the Peterson Ranch BEI. Sarvy is the EPA lead for this bank, but she is at training all week and so my supervisor passed your email on me. I realize it might be too late to try and get an interagency press release done before Friday if something isn't

already in the works. But if you have something you are already drafting, I can pass it to our press group to see if something we could issue jointly. Please let me know if you are still interested.

Thanks, Melissa

Note: I am currently working M-Th.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Pankratz, Shannon L SPL" <<u>Shannon.L.Pankratz@usace.army.mil</u>> **Date:** April 29, 2016 at 12:12:51 PM PDT

To: "brush.jason@epa.gov"

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Subject: FW: Petersen Ranch BEI

FYI, as I know Sarvy may be in and out of the office. - See below.

Thanks, Shannon

----Original Message----

From: Zimmerman, Jan@Waterboards

[mailto:jan.zimmerman@waterboards.ca.gov]

Sent: Friday, April 29, 2016 11:21 AM

To: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL < Shannon.L.Pankratz@usace.army.mil >

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Shannon, I just want to update you and the other IRT members. My Executive Officer concurs with the approval of the BEI. We have no objections and are drafting a letter of concurrence, which will be sent to you by May 3rd. In order to be transparent in this process, my Executive Officer requests that we issue a Press Release before she signs the BEI (or shortly thereafter, but prior to is preferred). We would prefer to issue a joint press release with other members of the IRT and encourage their

collaboration. Or perhaps an IRT member is already planning to issue a release that we can collaborate on (David were you planning anything for CDFW)? We'd like to get the release out by the end of next week so that we are prepared when USACE sends out the request to IRT members for signature. IRT, please let me know if any of you would like to participate in a joint press release.

Thanks!

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----Original Message----

From: Pankratz, Shannon L SPL

[mailto:Shannon.L.Pankratz@usace.army.mil] Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 11:55 AM

To: Julie Vandermost Beeman; Zimmerman, Jan@Waterboards

Cc: <u>tracey@tbdevelopment.com</u>; Nate Bello; Keelie Rocker; Copeland, Patrice@Waterboards; Niemeyer, Kim@Waterboards; Swenson, Daniel P SPL; Allen, Aaron O SPL; Mahdavi, Sarvy; Lawhead, David@Wildlife

Subject: RE: Petersen Ranch BEI

Importance: High

Hi Julie,

Though EPA has provided their signature page, and CDFW has indicated their approval, we must wait until RWQCB has reviewed the BEI and indicates their approval/objection. Per our 4/19 letter to the IRT, all IRT members have until May 3rd to provide their agency approval/objection. After all IRT members provide notice of approval, then the Corps/CDFW/RWQCB/Sponsor would sign their respective BEI signature pages and provide back to the Corps.

On the date of the final signature the BEI would be in effect. And, as CDFW noted, the CEs over Phase 1 areas would still have to be recorded and the securities approved/executed before the first credits are released by IRT members.

I am not in the office this Thursday/Friday, and most of us here will also be away in training all of next week. However, as time allows we may be able to coordinate final signatures from everyone next week, assuming RWQCB indicates their BEI approval end of this week/beginning of next week.

Thanks, Shannon

----Original Message----

From: Julie Vandermost Beeman

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Jan - We would really love to get the BEI signed this week by the RWQCB. It sounds like that won't happen until Friday now. EPA has signed and we expect CDFW's signature today. So as soon as you can sign, the Corps can sign and the largest mitigation bank in the State of California will be open for business.

We appreciate whatever you can do to expedite. Thank you so much,

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From: Jan Zimmerman < Jan.Zimmerman@waterboards.ca.gov

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Subject: RE: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Julie, we have an internal meeting scheduled for this Friday to update

my management and get their concurrence on the BEI. Because our counsel has been working hard on these final documents, I don't foresee any objections, really. We intend to respond to the Corps April 19th letter on or before the 15-day period ends (May 4th). It's my understanding that once the 15 day period passes and no objections have been received from the IRT, at that point the Corps will ask the IRT members to sign the BEI and that IRT members, at their discretion, may sign the BEI before that 15 day period ends if they choose to do so. Please correct me if my understanding is wrong. I'll keep you posted on Friday following our meeting and to let you or schedule once that gets nailed down.

Thanks!

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From: Julie Vandermost Beeman

[mailto:JBeeman@vcsenvironmental.com] Sent: Friday, April 22, 2016 5:53 PM To: Zimmerman, Jan@Waterboards

Cc: tracey@tbdevelopment.com <mailto:tracey@tbdevelopment.com>;

Nate Bello; Keelie Rocker Subject: Petersen Ranch BEI

Hi Jan - how is the signature on the Bank documents coming? I think we will get CDFW's signature pages Monday. Can you please give us an update? Thank you so much,

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